Statement

Sl.No.	Telecom. Circles serving State including Telephone District	Waiting List as on 1-1-1984.
1.	Andhra Pradesh	43,891
2.	Bihar	7,954
3.	Gujarat	69,935
	(Also serving Daman, Diu, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Salvasa.)	
4.	Jammu and Kashmir	4,783
5.	Karnataka	32,288
6.	Kerala	42,083
	(including Mahe & Lakshdweep)	
7.	Madhya Pradesh	20,874
8.	Maharashtra (including Goa)	2,22,330
9.	North East (Covering Assam, Tripura, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh)	5,335
10.	North West (Covering Punjab, Haryana & Himachal Pradesh & Union Territory of Chandigarh)	41,370
11.	Orissa	4,480
12.	Rajasthan	18,672
13.	Tamil Nadu (including Pondicherry)	60,226
14.	Uttar Pradesh	31,153
15.	West Bengal (including Sikkim and Andeman & Nicobar)	34,423
16.	Delhi	1,10,184
	(Union Territory of Delhi)	
	GRAND TOTAL:	7,48,981

Progress of Salal Hydel Project

73. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state the progress made in respect of Salal Hydel Project in Jammu during the year 1983-84?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): The progress made in respect of Salal Hydro-electric Project in Jammu & Kashmir State during 1983-84 is given in the Statement enclosed.

Statement

During the year 1983-84, *following works were executed at Salal Hydro-electric Project* :

1.	Concrete Dam	351·88 TM³ of concreting was done.
2.	Rock fill Dam	1980·33 TM³ of placement achieved.
3.	Power House	70·6 TM³ of excavation and 21·82 TM³ of concreting done. Unit concreting for Unit I & II completed and the erection of scroll casing for these two units was taken up. Service bay floor completed and raising columns in the service bay progressed.
4.	Pen Stock	31·58 TM³ of concreting and 65·60 TM³ of excavation was completed. Fabrication of steel ferrules was satisfactory.
5.	Tail Race Channel	333 M of heading 162 M of benching and 379·8 M of concrete lining completed.
6.	Drainage Gallery	By the end of March 1984, 53·4% of tunnelling of Drainage Gallery completed.
7.	Plunge Pool	180 TM³ of excavation was done and concreting and shotcreting activitiess taken up.
8.	River Connection Works	The River Connection Works was awarded in July 1983 to a Contractor and the work is progressing satisfactory.

O.N.G.C.'s Programme under Seventh Five Year Plan

74. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the Oil and Natural Gas Commission's oil exploration and production programme during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) how Government propose to raise the necessary resources for the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PETROLEUM IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI GARGI SHANKAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) The details regarding the exploration and production programme of ONGC and the resources for funding the same would be available only after the Seventh Five Year plan is finalised.

Conversion of AIR and Doordarshan into Corporation

75. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finally rejected the proposal to convert All India Radio and Doordarshan into an autonomous Corporation; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Both the media enjoy freedom and functional autonomy in all professional aspects. Further, the Media's main objective is to serve the people and for this purpose, it is not